

ABSTRACT

8.6 03> The present invention involves a laser-welded driveshaft and method of making same. The laser-welded driveshaft comprises a tube and a yoke laser welded to the tube. The tube has a driveshaft wall extending to an open end, wherein the wall has inner and outer surfaces. The yoke includes a tube-engaging pilot which is disposed through the open end and the yoke is laser-welded to the open end of the tube.

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